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IN RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE

N/S Church Road, 80' W of the c/l of

Gunpowder Road (3898 Church Road) 6<sup>th</sup> Election District 3<sup>rd</sup> Councilmanic District

E. James Frack, Jr., et ux, Owners; Randy Niles, et ux, Contract Purchasers **BEFORE THE** 

ZONING COMMISSIONER

OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

Case No. 99-479-A

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner for consideration of a Petition for Variance filed by the owners of the subject property, E. James Frack, Jr., and his wife, Barbara S. Frack, and the Contract Purchasers, Randy and Linda Niles. The Petitioners seek variance relief from Section 1A01.3.B.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a side vard setback of 10 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet for a proposed single family dwelling. The subject property and relief sought are more particularly described on the site plan submitted which was accepted into evidence and marked as Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

Appearing at the requisite public hearing on behalf of the request were Jim and Barbara Frack, property owners, Randy Niles, Contract Purchaser, and Eugene F. Raphel, Professional Land Surveyor who prepared the site plan for this property. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

Testimony and evidence offered revealed that the subject property is an irregular shaped parcel containing a gross area of 12.062 acres, more or less, zoned R.C.2., located on the northwest side of Church Road, approximately 80 feet northwest of its intersection with Gunpowder Road in northern Baltimore County. The property is accessed via a 40-foot driveway access easement off of Church Road. As shown on the site plan, the property is divided into two sections by a 100 year floodplain and a drainage and utility easement. In addition to their acquisition of this parcel, Mr. & Mrs. Niles also propose to acquire a small, triangular shaped

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parcel, located immediately adjacent to and south of the subject property, identified as Parcel A on the site plan.

As noted above, the Petitioners have contracted to sell the subject property to Mr. and Mrs. Niles, who intend to develop same with a single family dwelling. Due to the site constraints associated with this parcel, and its unusual configuration, the Petitioners cannot meet the 35-foot side setback requirement on both sides. Thus, variance relief is requested to locate the proposed dwelling so as to provide a 10-foot side yard setback along the south side property line. The proposed location of the house is driven by the 100-year floodplain which limits the developable area of this property. Moreover, the side property line which is affected by the requested variance divides the subject property from Parcel A, which, as noted above, will also be acquired by Mr. & Mrs. Niles. Thus, the setback, if approved, will be from another parcel owned by the same parties.

Based upon the testimony and evidence presented, I am persuaded to grant the variance. The uniqueness of this property is driven by the fact that same is divided by the floodplain area which is undevelopable. Moreover, I am persuaded that practical difficulty will result if relief were not granted and that there will be no adverse impacts to surrounding properties. In response to the Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment by the Development Plans Review Division of the Department of Permits and Development Management (DPDM), dated June 16, 1999, it was indicated at the hearing that the applicant would not construct within 20 feet of the limits of the floodplain.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons set forth herein, the relief requested shall be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this day of July, 1999 that the Petition for Variance seeking relief from Section 1A01.3.B.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a side yard setback of 10 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet for a proposed single family dwelling, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject to the following restrictions:

- 1) The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until the 30-day appeal period from the date of this Order has expired. If an appeal is filed and this Order is reversed, the relief granted herein shall be rescinded.
- 2) Compliance with the Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment submitted by the Bureau of Development Plans Review division of the Department of Permits and Development Management (DPDM), dated June 16, 1999, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 3) When applying for a building permit, the site plan filed must reference this case and set forth and address the restrictions of this Order.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: June 16, 1999

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Robert W. Bowling, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT:

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

for June 14, 1999

Item No. 479

The Bureau of Development Plans Review has reviewed the subject zoning item. The rear of buildings may not be constructed within 20 feet of the limits of the flood plain as established for a 100-year flood level with a 1 foot freeboard. See Plate D19 in the Baltimore County Design Manual.

In conformance with Federal Flood Insurance requirements, the first floor or basement floor must be at least 1 foot over the flood plain elevation in all construction.

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Mr. & Mrs. E. James Frack, Jr. P.O. Box 24 Monkton, Maryland 21111

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(3898 Church Road)

6th Election District - 3rd Councilmanic District

E. James Frack, Jr., Owners/Randy Niles, et ux, Contract Purchasers - Petitioners

Case No. 99-479-A

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Frack:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Variance has been granted, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact the Zoning Administration and Development Management office at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Zoning Commissioner

for Baltimore County

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Mr. & Mrs. Randy Niles

710 Rockaway Beach Ayenue, Baltimore, Md. 21221

People's Counsel; Case File



# Petition for Variance

# to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which

This Petition shall be filed with the Department of Permits and Development Management. The undersigned, legation owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) 1AOL 3. B.3.; BCZP, TO

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of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the zoning law of Baltimore County, for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty)

The 50 foot sideyard setback as shown on Lot 19, Plat 1, "Shannon" (S.M. 62, folio 100) makes it very diffucult and creates a harhship due to the topography. The Variance requested is adjacent to a parcel of land in the same ownership, and will be conveyed by the grantor to the grantee as part of Lot 19.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by the zoning regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance, advertising, posting, etc. and further agree to and are to be bounded by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the zoning law for Baltimore County.

is the subject of this Petition. Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Legal Owner(s): Zip/Code Attorney For Petitioner: State Name - Type or Print Representative to be Contacted: Signature Company Telephone No. Telephone No. Zip Code Zip Code State OFFICE USE ONLY ESTIMATED LENGTH OF HEARING UNAVAILABLE FOR HEARING Reviewed By टिंग १११५। १८

# E.F. Raphel & Associates

#### Registered Professional Land Surveyors 205 Courtland Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Phone (410) 825-3908

Fax (410) 825-1331

May 26, 1999

BEGINNING FOR SAME at a point on the North side of Church Road and the Westernmost side of Lot 19 at a distance of 80 feet Westerly from the intersection formed by the centerline of Gunpowder Road, extended, and the North side of Church Road as shown on Plat 1, Shannon, and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book 62, folio 100, running thence on the North side of said Church Road. North 54° 13' 32" East 10 feet to the Eastern outline of Lot 19, running thence on the Outline of said Lot 19, the nine following courses and distances; 1) North 34° 42' 23" West 37.73 feet, 2) North 9° 12' 00" West 217.48 feet, 3) North 18° 00' 18" East 303.00 feet, 4) North 40° 02' 26" East 83.05 feet, 5) Due North 153.00 feet, 6) North 36° 19' 28" West 402.61 feet, 7) North 84° 10' 00" West 633.31 feet, 8) South 19° 09' 05" West 609.74 feet, and 9) South 85° 18' 06" East 637.79 feet to Tract "A", thence on the outline of Tract "A" the two following courses and distances 1) South 56° 47' 43" East 243.00 feet, and 2) Due East 114.94 feet to Lot 19, thence on the outline of said Lot 19, South 18° 00' 18" West 138.15 feet, South 9° 12' 00" East 222.16 feet, and South 34° 42' 23" East 42.26 feet to the place of beginning.



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LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner for

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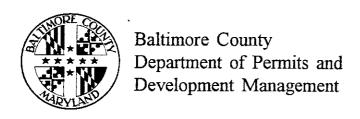
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June 14, 1999

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HEARING:

Tuesday, July 20, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 407, County Courts Building,

401 Bosley Avenue

Arnold Jablon

Director

c: Barbara & E. James Frack, Jr.

Linda & Randy Niles

E.F. Raphel

NOTES: (1) THE PETITIONER MUST HAVE THE ZONING NOTICE SIGN POSTED BY AN APPROVED POSTER ON THE PROPERTY BY JULY 5, 1999.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL THE ZONING COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AT 410-887-4386.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THE ZONING REVIEW OFFICE AT 410-887-3391.

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This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

#### PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

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- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper. NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

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Legal Owner: E. James & Barbara S. Frack, Jr. Contract Purchaser: Randy & Linda Niles Petitioner(s)

- BEFORE THE
- \* ZONING COMMISSIONER
- \* FOR
- BALTIMORE COUNTY
- Case No. 99-479-A

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#### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the above-captioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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Deputy People's Counsel

Old Courthouse, Room 47

400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-2188

<u>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day of June, 1999 a copy of the foregoing Entry of

Appearance was mailed to E.F. Raphel & Associates, 205 Courtland Avenue, Towson, MD 21204, representative for Petitioners.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

#### BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

#### INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Date: June 16, 1999

Department of Permits & Development

Management

FROM:

Robert W. Bowling, Supervisor

Bureau of Development Plans Review

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

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#### INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Date: June 8, 1999

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director

Department of Permits

and Development Management

FROM: Arnold F. 'Pat' Keller, III, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT: Zoning Advisory Petitions

The Office of Planning has no comment on the following petition(s):

Item No(s): 462, 476, and 479

If there should be any questions or this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 410-887-3480.

Section Chief:

AFK/JL



700 East Joppa Road Towson, Maryland 21286-5500 410-887-4500

June 16, 1999

Arnold Jablon, Director
Zoning Administration and Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, MD 21204
MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

Location: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF JUNE 7, 1999

Item No.: See Below Zoning Agenda:

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:

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Date: 6.4.99

Ms. Gwen Stephens
Baltimore County Office of
Permits and Development Management
County Office Building, Room 109
Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Baltimore County

Item No. 475

JCM

Dear. Ms Stephens:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Larry Gredlein at 410-545-5606 or by E-mail at (lgredlein@sha.state.md.us).

Very truly yours,

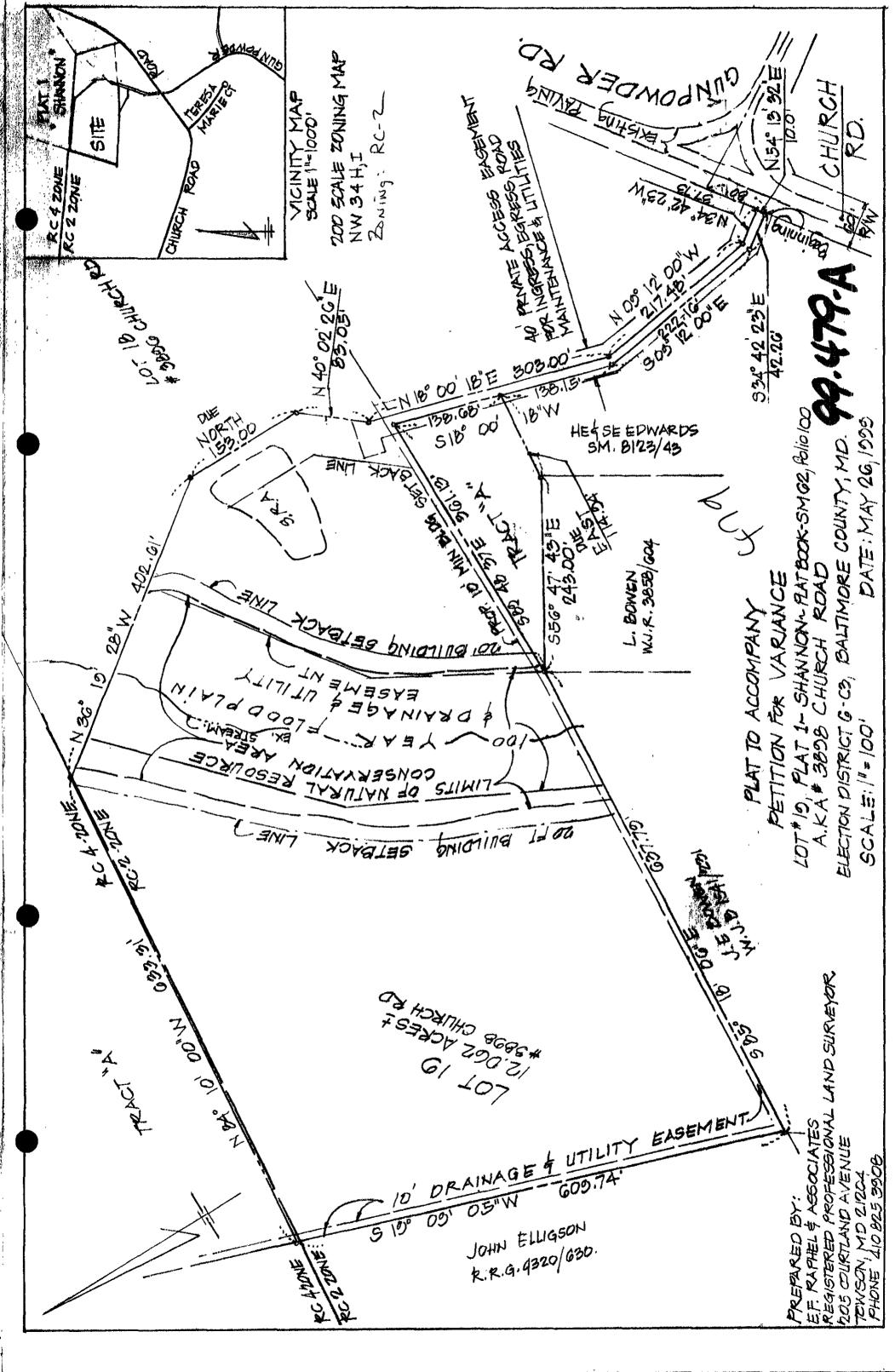
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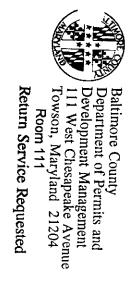
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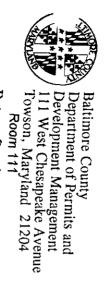




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